

HERSETH SANDLIN ENCOURAGES SOUTH DAKOTANS TO PROVIDE INPUT

ON 2012 FARM BILL

Washington, DC (June 9, 2010)- Today, Rep. Stephanie Herseth Sandlin encouraged South Dakotans to share their input on the 2012 Farm Bill prior to June 14, which is the deadline for submitting comments for the Farm Bill Field Hearing Rep. Herseth Sandlin held in Sioux Falls on May 18. All comments received via the web form before June 14 will be included in the Committee's Farm Bill Field Hearing record. South Dakotans can contribute their comments at: <http://agriculture.house.gov> or by visiting the Farm Bill section of Rep. Herseth Sandlin's website by clicking [here](#) or calling her office toll-free at (866) 371-8747.

"The Farm Bill affects every person, every business, and every family in South Dakota, so it's critical that these voices are heard." Rep. Herseth Sandlin said. "I was pleased to host the Agriculture Committee for a field hearing on May 18, so that members of the Ag Committee could see firsthand what our great state has to offer. Now it is time for residents of the state to tell the Committee what our ranchers, farmers, and rural communities need in the new bill."

Rep. Herseth Sandlin was joined by a bipartisan group of 11 members of the U.S. House Agriculture Committee for a field hearing in Sioux Falls on May 18. The hearing was held at Augustana College in Sioux Falls, and included testimony from a range of South Dakotans representing diverse agricultural and rural interests, including grain production, biofuels and forestry products.

The written statements of witnesses testifying at the hearing can be found by visiting the Committee on Agriculture's website <http://agriculture.house.gov/hearings/statements.html> .

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